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### MISTER MARCUS CROWNED EMPEROR OF SAN FRANCISCO

by Donald McLean

On Friday night, Sept. 29th, chartered cablecars, motorcycles and high heels beat a path to California Hall to cast their vote for the first Gay Emperor of San Francisco. The four candidates — Mister Marcus, Don Berry, Ron Ernst and Elizabeth Lane (Pookalani) — had all campaigned vigorously around the city. The Emperor Ball was surprisingly sparsely attended and was not really a ball at all, just a very large voting booth. Everyone came in and cast their ballot and then headed for the bar until it came time to announce the winner. However, the atmosphere was one of great congeniality and all sections of the Gay community were well represented. Drag and leather mixed amiably and it was nice to see all five Empress contenders for '72, five of the seven past Emperesses, plus Nicki Nations and Bashka from the Peninsula and the Emperor of Long Beach (now I know what I want for Xmas!) in attendance. And special mention should be made of Elizabeth Lane's stunning appearance. She truly looked gorgeous and

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### CATHOLIC PRIEST DENOUNCES

GAYS  
Gayvoice News Service

Father Simon Scanlon, a priest in the Tenderloin at the St. Boniface Church on Golden Gate Avenue, has written a scathing attack on those within the Gay community who are trying to lessen the police drive on 'victimless crimes'. The article appeared in the publication put out by Scanlon, called "The Way," and Scanlon gave an interview to the most notorious of the "queer-baiters," Guy Wright of the Examiner, in which he continued on decrying the Tenderloin in general. In

**CATHOLIC PRIEST** (continued)  
 recent weeks, Father Simon Scanlon and Reverend Ray Broshears have had "clashes" over Scanlon's treatment of Gays in the Tenderloin. Most recent was Scanlon's refusal to allow the Tenderloin Citizens Council, currently chaired by Broshears, to use the St. Boniface Community Center, which Scanlon recently acquired control over. "The attacks are documented in the Examiner and "Way" as well," remarked Broshears.

Guy Wright quoted Scanlon as calling the Tenderloin, "a moral garbage dump." According to the article, Father Simon became upset when someone called him a "cocksucker," they being drunk according to the article. Scanlon says that the people who live and work in the Tenderloin live there in terror. A statement which was quickly refuted by numerous persons, many elderly, who said that the Tenderloin is far safer than the Fillmore District or the Mission District. The crime figures that Scanlon quote are not found in the SFPD records anywhere, a comment on that

came from Angel, longtime Tenderloin resident, who said "it is obvious that this priest has a 'harden' against anything that doesn't agree with the Catholic Church." (According to Police statistics the highest crime rate area is in the Mission, specifically between 16th St. to 20th St., bounded South Van Ness to Valencia. This is followed closely by areas in the Fillmore and not the Tenderloin.")

Scanlon says that the "nice people of the City use the Tenderloin as their moral garbage dump." A charge which was denied by an administrative assistant to one of the Supervisors, who stated that what "goes on in the Tenderloin, goes on in every area of the City, and maybe it's just that it's more noticeable there. I live in the Richmond district, and hell, I see a lot worse there than anything I have seen in the Tenderloin, and I walk through the Tenderloin at least five times a week." Scanlon's charges, according to Reverend Ray Broshears, who has worked in the Tenderloin for seven years nearly, compared to the nearly

five for Scanlon, are to a large extent exaggerated. Broshears blamed the "bluenosed priests" at both St. Boniface and St. Patrick's for many of the area's problems. "Father Simon does not care in the least about the real problems, he prefers to go about with his head in the clouds." "Many a time I have seen him scold "drag queens" and obvious Gays (hair fairies), and treat them as if they are lepers." "He has Blackstone (SFPD) snowed, and he has the full backing of the radical rightists on the police force in his latest tirade on the Gays and others within the Tenderloin."

Father Simon Scanlon denounced those who must prostitute themselves to even have enough money, and stated that prostitution must not be legalized unless it was within three blocks of the Crime Commissioner's homes."

Examiner columnist Guy Wright has been writing a "crusade against homosexuals" for the last several months, and now, he has been joined in the Catholic publication, "The Way," assisted in his "crusade" now by Father Simon Scanlon.

The only Gay leaders who would comment on the subject in a way that would be considered constructive, were those from the extremist Gay Liberation groups, with the exception of GAY SUNSHINE COLLECTIVE, who state they have no interest in what goes on in the Tenderloin or what is printed in the Examiner. GAY ALLIANCE director, Reverend Ray Broshears stated, "This vile attack, by a man who surely harbors latent homosexual desires, is just the point of things to come. For now, the radical "Jesus Freaks," Tony Alamo and his wife are moving their bans into the Haight-Ashbury, and we cannot expect anything better to come, unless we rally round, and do it quickly. These people for the most part are emotionally overwrought people, caught up in Fundamental hysteria, and now, with the conservative Catholics being aided and abetted by Guy Wright, and joined by the Alamos, the Gay people of San Francisco are in for a VIOLENT time, and believe me, I tell you now, that these people are not "peaceniks," for they are "cleansing the earth," and doing all the acts in the Name of the Prince of Peace. Join together in a united front."

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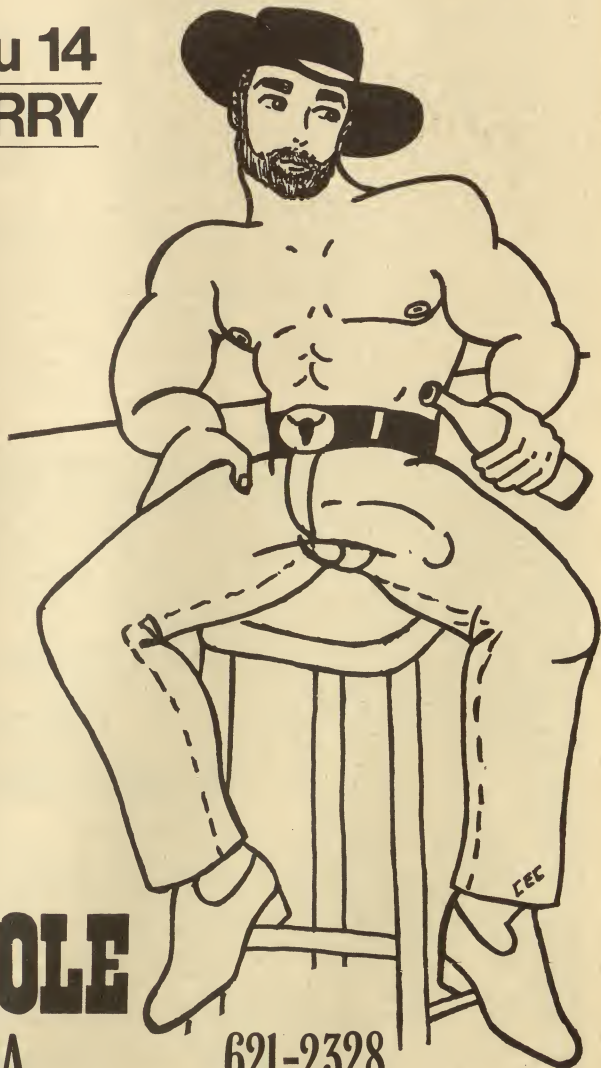
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## LIBERTY, TAXES AND WELFARE

by Don Jackson

Three confusing issues in the upcoming election have special angels and a special relevance to Gays — liberty, taxes and welfare.

Ronald Reagan told the truth, for once, when he said the voters will have a clear choice between greatly increased government power and individual liberty.

The current administration seems determined to annihilate liberty with no-knock laws, telephone tapping, news management, perpetual war, pornography bills, increased interference in the private lives of citizens under the guise of fighting crime, increased emphasis on victimless crime with the focus on "sex crimes", packing the Supreme Court with puritanical authoritarians determined to stamp out permissiveness (spelled SEX) and the bill of rights.

Government power has grown more at the expense of individual rights during the past four years than in any other similar period in history.

If you think the hard-on-crime - law - and - order policing is aimed at murderers, robbers, rapists and burglars, deceive yourselves; almost all of the increase in police budgets and federal and state crime fighting programs are for victimless crime enforcement. The statistics prove that.

One usually overlooked aspects of victimless crime enforcement is the cost to taxpayers. In addition to wasting

76% of the police budget it is logical to presume that it consumes a similar percentage of the costs of the jails, the district attorney's office and the probation department.

Then there are indirect costs, such as the welfare payments for those made unemployable as a result of arrest records, and welfare payments for the families of those who flee the state to avoid what they find to be unjust persecution. Welfare records indicate that 1/3 to 1/2 of the total welfare cost is the result of victimless crime enforcement. The total cost of victimless crime enforcement is a staggering amount — more than welfare, more than schools.

Nixon, Reagan and their cohorts have spent billions of the taxpayers dollars on their crusade to preserve the myth of virginal monogamy, and to suppress sex, pornography, marijuana and the like. Then they try to make the public believe the money they spend on creating a police state went for welfare. Even more absurd, they made millions of people unemployable and now say the unemployable are lazy.

Welfare is just a smokescreen. Over 70% of your tax bill goes to the Department of Defense. Schools, victimless crime enforcement and farm price supports all take more of your tax bill than welfare.

Here's the Gay angle. As the privacy invaders tighten the noose, an increasingly high percentage of Gays are forced to go to the welfare line. If you

think you can have steaks, limosines and swimming pools on the \$83 per month — that's what a single person gets for everything — try living on that for a month or two.

Except for a handful of extremely wealthy Gays, it doesn't make any sense for Gays to support the present administration. Until we are freed from the evils of victimless crime laws, Gay property and business owners will remain just an arrest away from the welfare line.

Back in 1953, when Nixon was vice-president, he instigated the anti-homosexual employment sanctions. He forced many Gays onto welfare by making it nearly impossible for those with arrest records to find jobs. Now he wants to force the people he made unemployable to work on \$700 per month government jobs for \$45 per week. I say this is forced labor. If poor Gays can be forced to work for the government, I say they should get paid the same amount as heterosexuals, and work should be on a voluntary basis. Mr. Nixon apparently hasn't heard that slavery has been abolished.

Before I became involved in the Gay movement, I was an activist in the Libertarian movement. I have had a life long concern with the struggle between statism (government power) and liberty. Libertarians have a venerable history in the United States, having founded this nation, written its Constitution and controlled its government for a hundred years.

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# L.A. GAY COMMUNITY SERVICES CENTER MIRACLE ON WILSHIRE BLVD. by Don Jackson

A down-and-out looking young man walked out of the GAY COMMUNITY SERVICES CENTER employment office as I walked in. "You cry a little when they leave," said GCSC consultant Morris Kight. "We sent that young man out to Compton for a job interview. I doubt if he had money for car fare, and he didn't look as if he'd eaten. The center is staffed by volunteers, most of whom can barely feed themselves. It's a miracle we stay open at all."

The GAY COMMUNITY SERVICES CENTER at 1614 Wilshire Blvd. is celebrating its first anniversary this month. Operating practically without financing, the center has become the largest social welfare organization of its type in the nation. United Crusade agencies with multi-million dollar budgets don't do a tenth the work. The center handled a case load of 8,400 last month. Among the services provided are counselling, job placement, medical, legal and psychological services, housing and crisis intervention. Special programs are maintained for prisoners and parolees, alcoholics, youth, transsexuals and transvestites and senior citizens.

The word "Gay" in the name is in one regard a misnomer. Don Kihlnefer, Executive Director of the Center explained that the word "Gay" in the title indicates that the center is specially

equipped to handle the problems of Gays, but the services of the center are available to everyone.

Dr. Benjamin Teller has volunteered his services to the center's soon-to-open V.D. clinic. Teller said that a drug company has made a "Limited" commitment to furnish drugs, but other than that, the clinic has received no aid from any agency public or private.

The need for a Gay V.D. clinic arises because of embarrassment and fear. Many Gays procrastinate going for V.D. checks and treatment because they find it difficult to tell a heterosexual they got fucked in the ass or sucked a cock. There is a widespread belief among Los Angeles Gays that public V.D. clinics may tip off the police. Homosexual acts are serious felonies in California, so there are reasons for fear.

The Center's job placement program has found jobs for hundreds of Gays. Yet many Gays — especially those with arrest records, psychological problems or effeminacy — are virtually unemployable because of employment discrimination. GCSC recently realized it was deficient in this field, so it started a new program designed to help Gays get on welfare. The welfare rights advocates are experts in Medical, General Assistance, Aid to the Disabled and food stamps. Welfare officials often tell Gays they can't get on welfare. The truth is they can get on welfare, but there are many pitfalls. Their chances

are far better if they discuss it with one of the center's welfare rights advocates before going to the welfare office.

The Prison and Parole Program, directed by Michael Miller, is one of the older services. It provides housing, jobs and supportive services for newly released prisoners. But contact between the center, the prisoner, the prison staff, the parole board and local parole office is established long before the prisoner is released, and these advance contacts and arrangements for employment and housing have resulted in many prisoners being released earlier than would have been the case had the center not intervened.

Because of intrinsic legal and cultural differences between Gays and heterosexuals, the center had to develop special programs for a number of Gay problems.

For example, most psychiatrists say that alcoholism is caused by latent homosexuality. No doubt this is true of heterosexual alcoholism, but obviously latent homosexuality is not the cause of the widespread Gay alcoholism problem. Since Gay alcoholism arises from different causes, a new approach had to be developed.

Heterosexual draft and military advisors are ill-trained and ill-informed to handle the special problems confronting Gays facing induction into the army and those already in the military but wanting out. Therefore, the center maintains its own draft and



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military program, which has been highly successful in getting honorable discharges for those who want out, and in saving Gays from the draft.

In addition to the complex of offices and medical clinic on Wilshire Blvd., the center maintains a second hand store, the Gaywill Funky Shop at 1521 Griffith Park Blvd., and housing facilities.

The Gaywill is the Gay version of the Goodwill and is the main fund raising enterprise of the center. The Gaywill also supplies free clothing and household needs to needy people.

The Liberation Houses provide food and shelter for over 400 men and women.

Although dealing with the misery and hardship produced by oppression is an important part of the center's work, it is by no means the sole function. The Self-Development Program, directed by Rev. Dick Nash, is heavily into joy and consciousness raising. Helping Gays escape from repression by developing pride and self-respect is an important aspect of the work.

It is indeed a miracle that the center

has done this tremendous job practically without funds. At a particularly difficult point last month, the center received a \$1,000 donation from the ADVOCATE, a bi-weekly Gay newspaper. Other than that, the center has received no financial support from heterosexual sources. Foundations and charities — including the United Crusade and churches — find any effort to help Gays "controversial" and so withhold their support. The center has received many small checks from individual Gays, but Gay bars and organizations seem to be more concerned with raising money for POW's in North Vietnam, Toys for Heterosexual children, VIVA, the American Legion and the like.

which was gutted by fire in July. The first of a series of five auctions was held at the ORPHEUM CIRCUS. This auction raised over \$500.00 for the Rebuilding Fund. Other auctions will be the NAKED GRAPE, October 3rd, the NEWBELL, October 10th, the RAMROD, October 17th and finishing at JACKSON'S on October 24th. All auctions start at approximately 9:00 PM. They are a lot of fun and all should plan to attend. The auction could use lots of merchandise so bring your goodies to any of the above bars or leave them at S.I.R. Center 67 6th Street. If you need some help for transportation call SU 1-1570 for assistance.

Also October is the Big Show at California Hall. (see next issue for review) and a big Bay Cruise on October 8th at 8 PM — Tickets are \$5 per person or \$9 per couple. If you have not yet tried an evening on the Bay, why not go along with S.I.R. There will be live music and a full bar, and a guaranteed good time for all.

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Editor,

I am writing in response to Don Jackson's article entitled "God Jesus and Don Jackson..." printed in Volume 2, No. 18 of B.A.R. If we gays are ever to get our freedom we are going to have to work very hard to get our legislators to pass the right laws, and to cause our courts to make the right decisions. But the laws that are passed and the court decisions that are made are largely based upon the prevailing attitudes in society. Therefore it is necessary for us also to strive to change the attitudes of the great silent majority on the issue of homosexuality. If we can convince the churches, at the grass roots level, of the worth of our cause, and get them to trumpet that cause with a loud voice, we will take a giant step towards changing the prevailing attitudes in society. Given this we can get the laws and court decisions we need.

So turning the churches around can be crucial to our cause. But if we go to the churches to argue our case and obviously have a poor knowledge and understanding of the scriptures we will have lost before we began. The churches will say, how can they know God's will toward homosexuals when they don't even know the scriptures?

I regret to note that Don Jackson's article says many things about the Bible that just are

not true. For example, he said, "God is not the author of Leviticus. It is merely the Jewish criminal law code. It does not pretend to be about religion at all." The authorship of Leviticus is of course a matter of personal belief. But the Old Testament Community believed God was its author and that he had Moses transmit it to their community. They believed it to be God's will binding upon the activities of their daily life. The writers of the Old Testament saw no difference between secular life and duties and religious life and duties. Evidence that they believed God to be the author of Leviticus is found in the first sentence of the book which states, "The Lord called Moses and spoke to him saying 'Speak to the people of Israel and say to them....'" The rest of Leviticus is what God told Moses.

Don also says, "Nowhere in the Bible is word to indicate that God disapproves of homosexuality." Technically he is right. The condemnations that do appear are of homosexual acts, not of homosexual persons, but to make a point of this is really splitting hairs. Homosexual acts were directly condemned in Leviticus 18:22 and in Leviticus 20:13. Homosexual acts were condemned by inference in First Corinthians 6:9-10, First Timothy 1:9-10, and in Romans

1:26-27. The writers of these passages believed that homosexual acts were against God's will. It's pretty clear that they would have felt the same way about the desire for homosexual acts or about the homosexually oriented person. I could question other of Mr. Jackson's Biblical interpretation, but will leave it at that.

At any rate we might as well face the fact that there are antihomosexual passages in the Bible. Once we do so, we can get to work on the real issues and make some progress.

The SOCIETY FOR INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS is mounting a program to challenge the churches on their own ground, and to show them that an accurate understanding of the scriptures will lead to the knowledge that Gay is good, IN CHRISTIAN TERMS. But we need help. We need people to call upon the churches and carry on the dialogue. People who are willing to study the relevant scriptures, get a solid grip on them and then challenge the churches to face the truth. Anyone interested in joining this program should leave a message for the religion committed of SIR by calling 781-1570.

Yours truly,  
Boyce R. Hinman

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Will I drink of loneliness once more?*

*Your words softly spoken, from your heart  
Said, "We never would forever part, I will come to you,  
wait and see, for a love like ours will always be."*

*These were your very words to me,  
Yet I cry of years of tears to be.*

*Hope and love burn in my breast,  
in spite of my wanting my heart to rest  
To stop, to cease, for only in Death  
Will I find my much needed peace.*

*Time will heal all wounds, yet love is a cure for all who cry  
We will meet again, on this I vow  
I will love thee till death, and then I will but love thee more.*

by Vernon McGuire



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Editor:

I have been reading your paper sporadically for the past ten months and usually have found it to be a forum for the few active 'gays' in the community to attack each other by name-calling and mud-throwing in general. It tends to point out how really unharmonious the 'gay' community is in general.

I cannot understand how or why, when we are having trouble with the straight community, we must have so much ill feeling and 'hate' within our community. I look forward to the day when we will not be labled, or be forced to side with one or the other of the factions. How can we ever hope to accomplish anything without when we are so discordant within!

The amount of time, and energy to develop and present an attack on another 'brother' or 'sister' is staggering, if it is done with any thought. Too often these attacks are leveled without any forethought and with too much malice. In this instance, I feel you, as the editor, should check into the material more carefully before you print it. You are doing a disservice to us, the readers, by making us read through half an article, sometimes only the first paragraph, to discover it is written by some half-wit. I realize you are not a full time editor, or may not even be aware of an editor's responsibility to the public, but as you are assuming the title as such you should responsibly do your job.

Sometimes too, you are in need of something to fill in and make a paper large enough to make it worth while to print. As you are for the local people and for local news you are limited your sources. I have no ideas as how to widen your resources but would like to see you decrease the amount of local 'bitch' news you print. As I'm not really part of the newsworthy people in the community, I'm not interested in reading about their 'trips' or ill feeling towards others of the community. I do enjoy reading newsworthy articles, local interest stories, etc., but these are few and far between.

Your paper is very interesting and I do mail several copies to friends in other parts of the country. Too often their comments are the bitch fights and name calling but as a

whole thoroughly enjoy the paper. Sometimes it's not hardly worth carrying away from the bar, but it just fits the bottom of the 'kitty box' and therefore I always bring several home.

Seriously, I do appreciate having something to read that presents my side of the news most of the time. It's better than any other local news etc., but as everything else without constant attention tends to grow boring. It's good, but not the best, or what it could be.

Respectfully and Sincerely,

Kirby Pappan

P.S. I originally started this letter to praise the article in Vol. 2 No. 18, Sept 6, 1972; "God, Jesus and Don Jackson vs. Awake, Jehovah's Witnesses and the Watchtower"

Fantastic article and something that should be required reading for everyone.

Editor:

A letter written to you by Ken Wilson in your excellent publication August 23rd, hit the nail right on the head!

I too feel that the Gays themselves will close up many Gay businesses and turn the general public against us.

I take particular exception to one segment of the Gay world notably the drag queens. Last night in a bar I will not mention, one drag queen came in and offended almost everyone. She had four front teeth missing, a dreadful drag outfit and she was out strictly to hustle for drinks and money. She is not alone and this is not an isolated case. Many drag queens are coming into straight bars and attempting to palm themselves off as real women. The sad thing is that they are very obviously men wearing women's attire. They molest the customers and are rapidly turning the straight world against the Gays.

Why are those who should never, because of their physical unattractiveness insist on trying to fool the straights that they are women?

These drag queens are really becoming a real drag to the Gays who go out just for fun.

Sincerely,

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Gentlemen,

The silent minority of one speaks up! Let me correct the slanderous remarks made by the non-student leader of the Stanford Gay People's Union in your last issue. I was never "drummed" out of GLF simply because I NEVER even attended a meeting of any such organization. To start his chairmanship with a character assassination, as Mike Hughes has, puts grave doubts on his leadership abilities. It reminds one of Spiro T.'s methods of bringing the American people together again. Divisiveness is anti-rhetical to Union. It is easier to attack individuals than to come up with imaginative programs large enough in concept to encompass a greater humanity.

Members of G.P.U. reading the B.A.R. article must surely wonder who will the NO WELCOME sign fall on next. I accept the NOW WELCOME sign, like earlier civil rights workers viewed the NO NIGGERS signs of old; surely this must be an engraved invitation to me to get re-involved in the Gay Union! No one wants to be ostracized, excluded, banished.

As gays that only brings recollections of boys keeping "the sissy" out of the game. No, that kind of thing is no solution; indeed it is the problem that brought us to the strange barren plain of social conflict. Even if I wasn't an old friend of Mike's, I should NOT expect to be treated so shabbily. If I am not welcome, let Michael himself call me. If he's lost my number by now, I remind him it IS

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Personality salnders, short sightedness, and intolerance must be particularly insulting to Gay people for I think we all carry for TOO many scars already from such pursuits. The individual can never out-vote the detractors, but by God, he can surely out-argue them!

Michael and all our would-be leaders must be made to realize that community implies concern for ALL people; and those who divide us will in time be branded the conscious or unconscious enemies of the people. G.P.U. is not the private tavern Mike Hughes once worked for, where he could 86 a queen who rubbed him wrong. It all smells of the closeminded intolerance that has so wrecked our Gay lives.

I came out in the '50's during the McCarthy period, and all these interperate low-level attacks come as some bad recurring dream. Increasingly in our minority movements, there is a tendency to substitute emotion for evidence. This shall someday work badly against us ALL.

When I founded the first Gay Youth Movement, VANGUARD (See CITIZENS NEWS, Mar. 13, 1965) I had drag queens being taught karate by the bikers who had formerly been their persecutors. When I founded the Peninsula Gay Switchboard (see GAYZETTE, Apr. 1, 1971) I found starving Gay militants jobs with older stable gays; I found queens all the way from Belmont to

Santa Clara, roomates, and welcomed new comers to our area with information on bars, parties, etc. The service was free except for a one-time donation from TAVERN GUILD. As past chairman of G.P.U., I got Gay people involved in voter registration and the primary movement, with representatives for congressional and presidential races attending our meetings. Let me take this time to inform Gays who have been discriminated in Federal jobs, Congressman Paul McCloskey has invited me to invite you to write to him, and he'll investigate personally. B.A.R. may print the enclosed letter from Pete. The Democratic candidate in the same district, Jim Stewart, has made an even stronger commitment to Gay civil rights. I hope the B.A.R. will also publish this enclosed statement. In my over half a year of G.P.U. chairmanship, no one, Mike Hughes included, was ever attacked or banished from meetings. One Gay Day with arms around Michael, I and others marched and watched as a so-called Gay leader attacked my sisters, suppressed freedom of expression, and acted in a totally authoritarian manner. Oh how I look for the day when we do NOT promote ourselves at the expense of other human beings! In this communal boat, the social saboteur MUST be reminded that when holes start appearing it is his feet as well as ours which will get wet. The job has always been to unite the people and integrate the self. But I must not indict our leaders so badly, for certainly it is the duty of ALL of us to become more seeing and

more loving. For if we do not or cannot see things as they really are, how do we expect our leaders too. And as Dr. Erasmus in the 15th Century put it," it is well-known that among the blind, the one-eyed man is king." In the interest of vision, I say to my detractors, let's sit down honestly this time and see if we can improve the lot of all gay peoples. In the words of a contemporary sonwriter'

"Love is the open door;  
love is what we came her for;  
Truth is the fire that must burn;  
and freedom is the lesson we must learn."  
On with the Human Revolution!

Yours in the maddening drama of social progress.

Joel Roberts

Mr. Joel Roberts  
12 Coleman Place,  
Menlo Park, California

Dear Mr. Roberts:

I am sorry to have taken so long to reply to your letter of May 6.

I have supported the legalization of all acts between consenting adults. The security risk question bothers me; however, I share your feeling that a person cannot be black-mailed who is willing to publically state his sex preference. I would like to be more fully advised of any present governmental policy to deny employment in most government jobs to those who admittedly and publically state their homosexual preferences.

I would also be interested in any specific personal examples of such policies that may have come to your attention, and I will be glad to look into the federal programs and practices involved.

Respectfully,  
Paul N. McCloskey, Jr.

OPEN LETTER TIME...  
DEAR JIM FOSTER AND COMPANY!  
From Reverend Ray Broshers,  
Gay Alliance & TLCC.

To the worded charges by Mr. Foster, I am not a "Nazi," nor am I a "Neo-Nazi."

These charges he makes because he is the advocate of the quasi-Gay letter writer, George McGovern and I am by little choice, the advocate of the re-election of President Richard Nixon. Both Jim and Rev. Troy Perry say that they cannot live another four years under President Nixon. I would like to invite them both to a free ticket (one-way of course) to Albania, so they won't have to. By the way, homosexuality is a death penalty offense in that socialist nation.

To the oft worded charges by Foster and Company that I am a member of the American Party, that too is false. I was once upon a time in 1969 a duly registered member of that group, just so I could run for a political office, which I lost, but came in second. Didn't know that did you Jimbo!

I have been registered as a Republican ever since, for I just don't believe in the

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Foster-game of everyone following the Foster-leader. And if you don't follow the Foster-leader, then you are either a Nazi or a Neo-Nazi. But, it seems to me, sometime back before the Foster-leader became so steeped in McGovern politics, that he used to call me a "communist, and an anarchist." My, my, and I haven't changed in the least my political thoughts. But, who can ever doubt the word of the Foster-leader!

The Foster-leader attacked the B.A.R., and the FORUM, and the GAYZETTE, and the "OLD" Gay Times, and even the ADVOCATE, for daring to print items that did not hold the Foster-leader and his lemming-like followers at S.I.R. up to a good light, but, DARED, to print both sides of the story, something the S.I.R. publication VECTOR does not seem to be able to do.

The Foster-leader has in the past been seeking to make the Reverend Ray Broshears seem unimportant and as far as Reverend Ray Broshears is concerned, he has never considered himself important, the great Foster-leader, star of the 5 A.M. Democratic National Convention, always manages to bring forth the statement that "Reverend Broshears has been arrested for a sex-crime." That is not quite true ole great Foster-leader and his led-ones, for it's very true that I was indeed and in fact arrested for the misdemeanor charge of contributing to the delinquency of a minor, on November 12, 1964 in the deep south town of Belleville, for having "groped a seventeen (17)" year old youth, during a parade, allegedly, and was "tried" before a Justice of the Peace and given six month's in county jail. But, I recalled that Foster himself was arrested for a sex offense, so I confirmed my recollection by checking the San Francisco Municipal Court Records, and there I found the record of his arrest. It is indeed most interesting reading, however, I shan't go into it here, but, if you care to read it, just go down to Room 201 of the Hall of Justice, Record Book of Municipal Court No. 11, the year 1970. This was a felony charge, 288A of the Penal Code, and involving four other individuals.

So why sling mud at me ole great Foster-leader when the mud in your back yard is deeper and blacker than mine. Those who are considered "public figures" can be slammed at will, unfortunately, so I never made much of the Foster-leader's statements in the past, but, it is only fair that the community know that "he is not without sin himself." Oh, he wasn't convicted on the Oral-cop charge, he copped-out to the lesser plea of 647a for a six month sentence, suspended, and a \$250.00 fine, and he like so many many hundreds of thousands of Gays in California, registered as a 290 "sex-offender." One of the most unfair laws ever written, but the Foster-leader has never gotten enthused when I began a suit challenging the constitutionality of that law and refused to assist.

I have worked in many political campaigns over the years, far harder than the

Foster-leader did in the Stokes campaign, and I never wanted a dime for my work, but I see where the Foster-leader accepted \$875.00 for the works he did in the Stokes campaign. That's all documented fact with the Secretary of State in the Candidate's Campaign Statement of expenses. The Foster-leader in his capacity as campaign-manager for Stokes, refused to even have any contact with the Gay Alliance concerning our Candidate's Nite, and we had to beg Larry, a friend of Stokes, to get Stokes on our program, which was attended by 92 person.

The Foster-leader has attacked in public, the reality of the old GAA and now the GAY ALLIANCE, and now, he has attacked the fact that the GAY VOTERS LEAGUE OF SAN FRANCISCO is holding a Presentation of Candidates Nite, whom they have endorsed, calling it a "a bunch of shit," just after the S.I.R. meeting of September 6th, as he was passing out the GAY VOTERS LEAGUE endorsed, "a bunch of shit," (they being, Congressman Bill Mailliard, Ms. Joan Irwin, Supervisor Ron Pelosi, and Al Graf, in addition the President, and Congressman Phil Burton). They are just as qualified as any that Foster-leader's group, that Alice B. Tolas Club of Democrats, have endorsed.

But, what is the real thing at contention here... I'll tell all, the fact of the matter is, that the not-so-great Jim Foster-leader considers himself the final word, the sole expert on politics for the Gay, as well as having plans to "feather the nest" of other "birds", and possibly his election as President of S.I.R. next year, or maybe a political appointment as an aide. Who knows just what lurks in the mind of the not-so-great Foster-leader, I don't, but, I surely know what venom and dissention comes out of his mouth, but, maybe that's what the not-so-great Foster-leader is all about.

I urge each and every person here to keep the moral of this Open Letter in mind, that is a Holy Scripture verse, "Let he who is without sin, cast the first stone."

Sincerely, I am  
The Reverend Ray Broshears

## EMMAUS GAY SWITCHBOARD TEMPORARILY CLOSED WILL REOPEN OCTOBER 17

As of September 17 the EMMAUS GAY SWITCHBOARD has temporarily shut down operations for 30 days, in order to permit relocation to new quarters at 618 Shrader Street. The Gay Switchboard and new storefront drop-in center will be open as of October 17. All are welcome to drop in for coffee, information or just plain rap as of that date. The new switchboard phone number will be publicized shortly before then.

The new drop-in center is at the corner of Haight and Shrader. We will be in the process of renovating the storefront during the next three weeks, and we'd welcome contributions of old furniture, carpets, lamps and other decorations; and especially welcome would be volunteers to help us paint and pound nails. Help of any kind is appreciated; please contact EMMAUS HOUSE at 626-7906.

Additionally, the switchboard needs volunteers to answer to the phone. This involves one 5-hour shift per week. Experience is not necessary; all that is required is a sympathetic ear and dependability to show up on time. Any Gay men or women interested in working on the switchboard are asked to please contact EMMAUS at 626-7906.

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## Commentary

### William E. Beardemphl *Comments*



San Francisco, California United States of America, land of the free where one has the right to write the truth and let it be read, except when you are a B.A.R. columnist, I guess. Poor Cecil Knockherworst Weatherbee got knocked his worst by a reader who mugged him because of what he wrote. Vicious threatening phone calls and letters are still being received by C.W.K. I wonder if we should start a stomping season to thin out the herds of dissident male whores?

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"Oh dear me," said Wanda. "Let us flee New York, Mary. The Mafia is getting worse in the Gay scene and a girl just is not safe on the sidewalks of fun city from mugging."

"Oh, sooo true, Wanda. Where will

we flee and be safe?" asked Mary.

"Where else, Mary, but San Francisco with the Golden Gates," said Wanda.

"Sheeet!" laughed Mary. "You really ARE the world's dumbest witch, Wanda."

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Every aspect of life in our country is becoming unfunctionable because of pollution; it had to follow that our societal garbage would also overwhelm our political institutions and make them unfunctionable. The Democratic party is now using it's waste products and toxic gases to destroy itself. The persons who have led us into this unacceptable position call themselves our political friends. As a life-long Democrat who

revered F.D.R., Henry Wallace, Harry Truman, and Adlai Stevenson, I now find myself faced with a dilemma: a choice between none and nothing.

In like fashion, if I were limited to only a choice of drinking a kool aid laced with cheap wine, huckstered and packaged as a new find on strawberry hill, or a thunderbird cocktail served in a very expensive cut crystal glass, I would pass up the pleasure of drinking either.

This insidious political pollution that is being self-hailed as new politics is nothing more than emasculated political expediency. AND who insensitively helped foster this outrage against sense but my own Assemblyman from the 18th District, Mr. Willie Brown.

I used to think of Mr. Brown as a creative politician who sincerely had the interest of the homosexual community at heart. But Willie's activities at the Democratic Convention and a review of why the consensual sex bill has not been passed in the California State Legislature as yet, are causing me to reevaluate my political positions.

Despite my recognizing the practical necessities of Republicanism and the great respect that I have for some Republicans, I am still committed to the Democratic representation wherein we have as much as possible direct action in government by ALL persons. Both parties have reverse sides of the coin. What a peculiar dilemma we have now with the worst of both parties put forward for our acceptance. If Mr. Nixon is the vomit of Republicanism; McGovern is the diarrhea of Democratic demagoguery.

McGovern's whining stances remind me of my Uncle Hank from Redfield, S.D. who said all the right things but in the wrong way and for the wrong reasons. What makes it impossible to vote for McGovern is his inability to organize; his inefficiency of investigating all aspects of issues; and his outrageous compromising of issues that go him the nomination. The only plus is that openly admitted homosexuals are working and influencing the Democratic party. The Republicans are still using the "unmentionable relative" as their method of handling homosexuality; poor sacrificial Randy Agnew.

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Now we are back to Willie Brown who could have had anything he wanted at the Democratic Convention including the passage of a homosexual rights plank; all he had to do was use his political pull. Instead, he stuck his fist up his arse and sat on it. When Willie did "suggest" something to McGovern, it was Thomas Eagleton for Vice President. Willie Brown did not investigate Mr. Eagleton or Mr. Brown would have found out that Mr. Eagleton had acquired a reputation when he was Missouri's Attorney General as being anti-homosexual.

We now must ask Mr. Brown why he hasn't really worked at getting the consensual sex bill passed. Are there really more votes for Willie if he keeps the bill in a state of limbo?

On October 16 at 8 pm at the Odd Fellows Hall located at Seventh and Market Street, the GAY VOTERS LEAGUE will hold a candidates night where Willie Brown can respond to some of the questions. His opponent Joan Irwin will be there also. I have consented to act as moderator for the program to introduce all the candidates who wish to be present and speak on Gay issues to politically interested homosexuals. John Burton said that he wouldn't miss this one for the world. I think it might be a little bit of political heaven at that.

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The ALICE B. TOKLAS MEMORIAL DEMOCRATIC CLUB launches their TOKLAS FOR MCGOVERN headquarters with a grand opening this Saturday, September 23 from 4 pm to 7 pm at 284 Noe Street in San Francisco. The Club will be providing food, refreshments and music.

It is anticipated that political personalities will drop by to join in the celebration.

The TOKLAS DEMOCRATIC CLUB is one of the largest in San Francisco and is fully accredited by both the County Council of Democratic Clubs and the California Democratic Council. The rent on the new headquarters was paid in advance by the proceeds from a mid-July house party given by members Judd Ziebell and John Newmeyer. Toklas members plan to support the office by additional house parties. Also, the Club has set a goal to gain 12,500 new members for the McGovern Million Member Club, which is composed of people who have contributed \$25.00 each. This would result in a sum of \$312,000.00 as their contribution to the McGovern campaign.

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# Book Reviews

## THE BEST OF BOOKS

J.D.MILLER

**THE QUEEN'S VERNACULAR**, *A Gay Lexicon*, by Bruce Rodgers. San Francisco, Straight Arrow Books, 1972. 265 pps. Paperbound, \$3.50

In the past three years, as many major dictionaries have been published. All have received prestige reviews on the front pages of the leading book review publications. And yet people ask how can anybody review a dictionary.

A dictionary or lexicon is a compendium of words, the obvious result of a lengthy and scholarly labor. And just about the only thing we are told about the author is that this book took twelve years of scholarly research. So a dictionary ought to be reviewed with respect and in a tone of similar scholarly criticism should also have a large part of the review. Perhaps even a little selling should be done.

But this is a particular type of dictionary. It follows exactly the definition in American Heritage Dictionary, that a lexicon is a collection of terms used in or of a profession, subject, or style. It is a vocabulary. And, in linguistics, it is the morphemes of a language.

Vernacular, on the other hand, is the language native to an area, the nonstandard or sub-standard everyday speech of a country or locality, the idiom of a particular trade or

that is not a queen; that is a faggot. The third definition of "Queen" is much nicer: "A woman, or thing personified as a woman who is eminent or supreme in a given domain." It is a misfortune, although perhaps only a minor one, that this definition did not find its way into "The Queen's Vernacular." What did find its way in is the note that this is a term used among male homosexuals for profession. And on and on, but this is sufficient. For it is enough to suit our purposes. Especially since the words "lexicon" and "vernacular" are two words not defined in this book. They are non-camp, not used in a camp sense, nor presumably are they never used in a gay context.

We do not have to worry about two other words in the title of this book. Queen and its variants are given a full page. "Gay" is given almost two pages. They are exhaustively treated.

But, first, let us look at the definition of "Queen" in the American Heritage Dictionary. The slang definition is dull: "an effeminate male homosexual." Everybody knows that one another. And the author goes on: "Generally, a queen is thought of as the fellow who plucks his eyebrows, splashes on Chanel No. 5, etc."

The major problem in any dictionary is to define the difference between the shades of meaning of a variety of terms. Now the author may really be quite

correct. All male homosexuals think of each other as queens. Which leads directly to the conclusion that this is reason why Gay-lib will never go anywhere: too many queens and no peasants. All men are equal, we may be told. But we have only to listen to each other for a few minutes to know who is a queen, who is plain gay, who is a faggot, and who is perhaps a male homosexual. But you could ask a real queen and probably not get a straight answer to who is or is not a queen.

But we get carried away. The only way to review this book, the product of twelve years of research, is to give it all that is due it in the way of praise. It is bound to delight as well as shock. And for the adept, it is going to vastly improve their repartee for the next few years. For, not only are we given derivations and correct pronunciations, we are given so many examples of usage that it boggles the mind. Some are so funny and so forgotten that they are new and amusing all over again. A few samples should be given. "He's such a dirty faggot, always looking up men's dresses." "Milk routes around LA can be dangerous — the trick might live fifteen towns down the block." "Don't let your tons of hot meat boil over." "Sure he gets lots of tricks — but who counts messes." "They'll spoil the new mall by making just another meat rack."

So there is a lot to delight, a lot of fun in this book. But like all the best books, it will not only instruct in delight, but has in it the seamier side of homosexual life and the clinical side. And these are all side by side. Read it at your own risk. But it's worth the risk.

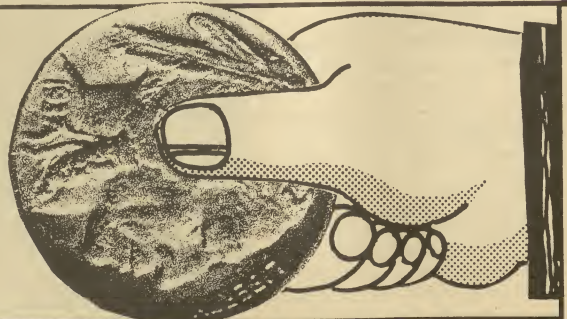
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## ACLU CHARGES CENSORSHIP BY SCHOOL OF GAY SPEAKER

A suit was filed today in Marin County Superior Court against the Novato school administration for preventing a classroom talk by the representative of a homosexual organization. The action was brought by the American Civil Liberties Union Foundation of Northern California.

Joining in the petition were the two teachers who had invited the speaker — Kristina O'Donnell and Lawrence Siegel — as well as students who wished to hear the talk, parents who wished them to, and the organization with supports the civil rights of homosexuals. (SIR) SOCIETY FOR INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS.

The controversy arose at the end of last school term when homosexual Robby Robillard was scheduled to tell of the discrimination gays experience to students in Personal Philosophy and Minority Studies classes at San Marin High School. Although representatives of other discriminated groups (blacks, women, students) had spoken earlier in the year to the classes, the school administrators refused to allow Robillard to speak, and even obtained a reprimand for the teachers from the school board for inviting the speaker over the principal's objection.

ACLU Staff Counsel Joseph Remcho states, "The issue is whether school administrative authorities can thwart the wishes of students, parents and teachers to hear responsible discussion of controversial issue within the classroom setting. It is particularly ironic that his situation happened in a school district with an enlightened official guideline which says that 'students have the right to study any controversial issue which has political, economic, or social significance.'"

Remcho points out several court decisions that support this right, including one which states, "The classroom is peculiarly the 'market place of ideas!' The Nation's future depends upon leaders trained through wide exposure to that robust exchange of ideas which discovers truth 'out of a multitude of tongues' (rather) than through any kind of authoritative selection." He explained, "This kind of unreasonable authoritative action is

exactly the opposite of the kind of democratic experience that we want our children to learn in school."

Frank Fitch, head of SIR's speaker bureau explained that Robillard was not invited to discuss sexual activity, but rather the problems of discrimination by society of a minority group. He states, "Just as a white cannot adequately inform a class about the subject of discrimination against blacks, so a non-gay cannot adequately explain the discrimination experienced by gays. Frankly, we are quite surprised by this

action of the Novato school, since we are supplying speakers for secondary schools of the Bay Area at something like the rate of one a week."

Attendance at the lecture in question had been optional for the students with written permission from parents required for admittance.

The ACLU action requests a court ruling that the speaker not be refused an opportunity to speak at the school, and that the reprimand be withdrawn from the teachers' files.

## What gays taunt campingly today the rest of America will use knowingly tomorrow.

### The Queens' Vernacular: A Gay Lexicon

Gay slang, along with Black slang, is a major creative source in our ever-changing speech. Most gays will recognize that words such as "camp," "vibes," "straight," "cruising," "butch," and "outrageous" were originally gay expressions that are now a part of every hip vocabulary. Now, an extraordinary new book documents the truth of this by presenting in one volume the largest collection of gay slang ever assembled.

**The Queens' Vernacular: A Gay Lexicon** by Bruce Rodgers is the product of over 12 years of exhaustive research and interviewing. It is not only a major work of lexicography; it is also a unique piece of American cultural history: A lexicon of homosexual slang words, expressions and terms revealing sexual mores, social customs, minority attitudes and the virulence of anti-homosexual feelings.

There are over 12,000 entries, including pronunciation keys, derivations, etymologies, words located precisely according to region & time spoken and thousands of sample sentences clarifying shades of meaning and pinpointing nuance. Included are special sections on slang in the armed forces, prison terminology, hustler slang, law enforcement and hobo slang. In the breadth of its survey, this lexicon also defines hundreds of terms from underworld, prostitute, Black and hip vernaculars as well.

Published at a time of increasing public interest in and understanding of homophile life styles, **The Queens' Vernacular** will doubtless encourage saner attitudes toward America's largest minority. It will also entertain, startle and amuse you.

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Seems as if Joe Roland of the GANGWAY has his ex as the Bowling Team Capt., in, not Brandy but John.

How come the Dog Lady ordered a cab in one of our bars and the S.P.C.A. arrived...

Rex Ann, you are not supposed to go through the garbage cans on Polk St... or were you looking for a new gown to wear to the ball.

Would you believe that Mama Peck of TOTIE'S claims to weigh only 210 lbs... it's not nice to fool Mother Nature... Ma.

How come the 'Reba' household is on Pam Paces (EARLY BIRD) shit list... Hello Dolly.

Dallas... hope the customers of the 'CLIP JOINT' jon't talk back as they do at JACKSON'S.

It cost one of our part time everything patrons \$12.50 cab fare to get to the GANGWAY. Rose thought she was in Pacific Heights but was actually in Pacifica... you should move there Rose as the ocean air is good for you.

Patrick... how can you be in love with two people at the same time... when only one loves you.

Have you been to the ALLEY CAT lately... you should just to watch Danny Hepburn.

You can catch Mary McGill at the MISSOURI MULE on Fri., Sat. and Sunday nites. Nice to have you back with us Mary as you are loved by many.

How come Jack Kline put his nose through the mail slot at the KOKPIT. It would have been easier to open the door Jack.

Who is the Ginger Rogers of GOLD STREET??? Ask Patrick.

Reba... what were you doing at the baths with whose lover... and according to Rex... Reba should never talk about Rex's weight.

Rumor has it that Wayne, formerly of the NAKED GRAPE, is going to work at the CLOUD SEVEN on Polk St. That'll keep you close to home Wayne.

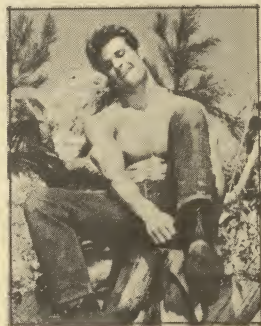
The Page Hotel above the KOKPIT has a new Madam who is doing a lot of redecorating and improving the hotel for men.

Tickets for the BEAUX ARTS BALL are going fast. A large group is coming from Portland and their 'Theme' will really be outstanding... so get your tickets early as none will be sold at the door... however the ALLEY CAT will have a box office that evening for late comers... it is at the Hilton Hotel, Sat., Oct. 21st.

'Fern' Lips tried to set up the house at the ball on Saturday but they didn't have change for a ten dollar bill. You outdid the 'Lips' Fern... so I guess I can retire.

Since Ray Rule has bleached his hair, eyebrows and snatch snow-white he looks more like Perry everyday.

Too bad Robbie is no longer at the \*P.S.... guess he'll have to book more customers for hair styling at the VIKING, especially since there are two mouths to feed.



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Bob and Ken of the BAJ had the drunkest group for brunch on Sunday but they handled it very well with the help of 'Nootch' on the plank... how come you had a couple of belts when you heard we were coming to brunch 'Nootch'.

Dickie Dare Darlin' of the HOUSE OF HARMONY danced all night at the Ball, didn't you ever get tired Dickie??? How was the meat loaf that Rome cooked for you???

'Schatzie' of the \*P.S. is getting around town quite a bit lately... keep searching 'Schatzie' you'll find him.

What famous star of stage, screen and S.F. Opera bought Henri L. a round trip ticket to Portland, all expenses paid, at the ORPHEUM CIRCUS Auction for S.I.R.... what do you have that we don't know about Henri???

Lorelie, contrary to what 527 Lenny is saying, you never looked better than you did the other evening at the Ball and your escorts were yummy.

Did you know that 'Annie Get Your Gun' will be opening in January and starring Jay 'Ethel' Noonan... who is going to play Frank Butler?? We know don't we, Fern.

Don't know where Cliff of the GASLIGHT finds them but he sure tempts the Lips with some of the boys. You really have a swinging joint going there Cliff.

The price of fame... ADONIS BOOK STORE sells Sweet Lips post cards for a nickel... can you believe that I am not even worth a dime.

Stopped at the NAKED GRAPE after the T.G. meeting with Joe Roland, Voo Doo and Fern... Bill Bailey your hospitality is great as is the GRAPE.

Watch for the new Bar Directory to be in the bars shortly... all the information needed to guide one to the bar of thier choice... thanks to T.G.S.F. and Henri.

Have you heard Sandy Baron's 'God Save the Queens' album by A.&M. records.? A real blast.

The LOG CABIN will be called THE LOG CABIN. It'll be open shortly as remodeling is under way. That should bring a bevy of young beauties to that area.

Kenny H. of TOTIES wants to know if the picture on KALENDER is really an old picture of Corky.

Perry... you really outdid yourself by getting a new gown for Jonni's Ball... of course we'll be seeing it for the next ten years... did you donate your 'toga' to the Museum.

Hank Welsh of \*P.S. and RENDEZVOUS fame snatched a lovely out of the KOKPIT the other afternoon... a good thing I was working Hank or I would have tried to snatch him away from you.

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Sally, you really outdid yourself with the new decor at TOAD HALL. Looks great!

Mr. Lips, you and Spoucie should not be drinking on Market St. at 3 A.M. trying to find new talent. Don't you know that Bette Bonko is everywhere.

Bye Mr. Lips it has been fun...  
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### AROUND TOWN

S.I.R. will have a fund raising boat trip on the Bay Sunday, Oct. 8th, with Tongue & Cheek band. They are also selling a new poster called, "Try It. You'll Like It," with two heaven guys. It should be the biggest hit since Big Jimmy's!

M.C.C. is still all together. Would you believe they raised \$3,100.00 one Sunday.

Kissy Diki had a smash opening for her new hair place on California Street. Very clever and with a garden yet.

Be sure to see Eddie Van's undraped photo display at the BACHELOR'S CLUB. Very interesting!!

Dori Bill and Clydie Mae were doing their "Me and My Shadow" dance there again, also undraped.

G.G.R.C. will hold their Halloween Ball Sunday, Oct. 29th at the Internationale Hotel in L.A. This is one of the wildest events of the year. For Info., call 665-8227.

Ted Northe has returned to Canada to get prepared for the Empress Ball in B.C. You can call 928-3257, for info. This one will be a group trip.

Did you know the BOOT CAMP used to be a house of ill repute in the old days. Used to? The BOOT CAMP Anniversary Week was a party to remember. The Fat Fairy outdid herself on the buffet. Jeff and Dallas (winner of the ALLEY CAT Hot Pants Contest) are always fun to watch, party or no.

My dear, I saw things in PIT'S LEATHER TOY SHOP, in the back, I didn't even know existed, and Pit loves showing his goodies.

By the way, did you know Richard (STUD) and Bill (BOOT CAMP) were lovers? What year, Bill? Even I don't remember that.

Ran into Danny at the WATER HOLE with a charming gentleman. No, it was not Fat Lips. Sorry, dear.

Richard, did you know the Wicked Witch had Mr. San Francisco on her broom the same night?

Moving right along, Peter King is serving a hot buffet at BRADLEY'S Mon., Fri. and Sat. 7 to 9 for \$1.50. He plans to serve something different each night. Now you bowlers can have a good hot meal before you throw your balls.

The EARLY BIRD now has a live band on Sundays by the name of the Adults. If that doesn't turn you on, Princess will. Love those fizzies.

If you want to enjoy the KOKPIT, try John Silva's shift. Sorry I missed you, Dead Lips. Thank you, Reba.

The PEKE PALACE really was a royal toilet. Would you believe a countess, a baroness, a grand duchess



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## TIDBITS (continued)

(guess who?), the Queen of Oakland of course Knockers, all in one afternoon?

Bob and John played host at a great breakfast buffet at the CAMP GROUND through after the ball in Oakland. Thank you for making a wonderful evening even more pleasant.

S.I.R. really had Royalty Night for their first auction at the ORPHEUM CIRCUS. The next benefit auction will be Oct. 10th at the RAMROD and, by the way, that new place on their door belongs to Gary Floyd. No relation to the infamous brothers.

There will also be an auction at the NEW BELL Oct. 10th. George Coffman tells me they will serve Thanksgiving dinner in the new (old) Center. Kisses on your opening, George. That's what I call getting it together.

It's really unreal what they have done to the WILD GOOSE. They have used planks on the floor and walls and it is really effective. Don't miss their opening Thurs., Oct 5th. This is the old TOWER LOUNGE on Pine Street.

For all of you who asked, that heaven dress I wore at the Empress Ball was made by Val of DU VAL BOUTIQUE on Market Street.

## CHINESE CHECKERS

Mike (my love) and Lennie Lynn have left the BODY SHOP and are now at JACKIE D'S.

Chuck (with the muscles) has left the ALLEY CAT for the GASLIGHT. Bill, Mr. Tavern Guild, has left the AMBASSADOR.

Barbara Balls has left the EARLY BIRD.

Mike Tressini is moonlighting at the GASLIGHT.

Randy has left the GRUBSTAKE again, this time across the street to JACKIE D'S.

David has moved across town from the RENDEZVOUS to the COUNTRY CLUB.

Roger Branco, formerly of the \*P.S. and Bob Trollope fame, is now at the ALLEY CAT.

Gene Patton has left the FABULOUS GREEK and is now with the ORPHEUM CIRCUS.

Also joining the mass migration to JACKIE D'S is Corky from the TRAPP.

Bob Kerns (formerly of the old MISTAKE) will be with the WILD GOOSE.

Paul (CLOUD 7) is alive and well at the ROUNDUP.

John Cruz (POLK GULCH) is now with the TURF CLUB.

Peter King (TOTIES buffet) is now doing her thing at BRADLEY'S.

Wayne (NAKED GRAPE) has come out of his short retirement and will be with the CLOUD 7.

Kish (PAGE ONE) is now with BOJANGLES.

Tom of S.I.R. is moonlighting as doorman at the MIDNIGHT SUN. DOWNTOWN

If you want the thrill of a lifetime, you have to see Jim at JACKIE D'S. He is Mr. Groovy Guy, 1971. My dear, what a shame to cover up that beautiful body with just mere clothes.

UNION SQUARE LOUNGE has moved up Geary Street to the 600 block. The new bar is called the MILKY WAY. They have dancing and a big parking lot next door. Kelly tells me there will be an after-hours place underneath the bar. My newest title goes to Robert, Granny Grump. He will also be with the MILKY WAY.

Pepper is doing her drag bit while serving brunch at the ORPHEUM

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Cal, after a hard day working on the WILD GOOSE, was busy working on Terry (from L.A.), who now can be seen at the GASLIGHT and is well worth a look. This was all going on at the TRAPP while our own Joey Collier was busy being cocktail waitress. Speaking of cocktail waitresses, really, Stanley, hot pants at your age?!

Wicked Witch, did you know Mike Del Ray is back in town? And working at the TURF CLUB, where Mother and I host the first campaign for Empress in honor of the Dog Lady. Gene Allison was busy waiting on people like Rome and Joe (HOUSE OF HARMONY), Dorothy (HOT HOUSE), Frank and Rick (currently of nowhere), Hazel (527), Chuck (Miss Dust Mop) of S.I.R. and of course Bob and Alice Conroy. If you haven't seen Bob and Del Ray's "Sweet Trick" number, you haven't lived!!

The PEKE PALACE will have their anniversary the 13th and 14th of Oct. with yours truly as hostess (for a change) to present all the Empress Candidates on the 14th. There will also be a buffet both nights.

My spies tell me the PAGE ONE will redo itself with new carpets, drapes, the whole bit.

#### LARKIN LANE

BOJANGLES, San Francisco's first Gay Black nightclub, now has live music on Sundays. That heaven face behind the bar belongs to Jacky.

Sorry to report the TROPICS is closed and is straight now.

Did you know MaMa Peck (TOTIES) and Roger Hall (GANGWAY) are roommates?

Stop in and say hello to Gordie at the GANGWAY. I understand he will be passing out invitations to a baby shower soon.

#### MOVING MISSION

FLOWERS BY JERRY opened at 22nd and Valencia with a champagne party and I must say some of the most unusual plants. They sold most of them at the party.

Cecil's meat gets bigger all the time. Would you believe 55 lbs.? That's what they served at the BACHELOR'S CLUB monthly Western Party, that is. It

turned out to be a welcome home party for Ken of recent VECTOR fame. I got the thrill of my life when I helped Ken and Brad (their new bartender) strip at the same time. Now that's what I call meat for days. By the way, if Brad looks like a Robbie, he is.

If you want a preview of the November VECTOR boy, he can be seen at the GALSIGHT. So can Darryl's roommate, who is big enough to fill a centerfold himself.

The WATER HOLE will have their Grand Opening Thurs., Oct. 12th, with yours truly as host. (That's a switch.) Cecil will do the buffet and the bartenders will by Tony (EARLY

BIRD), Ken and Darryl (BACHELOR'S CLUB) and Ricky (ORPHEUM CIRCUS).

For that little something different, try the FABULOUS GREEK for dinner. The price is right and he's running a two-for-one special Tues. — Sat. and it's really quite good.

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by margaret ann

Nostalgia, the big word of the day, is currently reigning supreme at the Curran Theatre. Anyone who enjoys the simple boy meets girl, boy loses girl, boy regains girl type of show, NO, NO NANETTE is your dream come true. The show is not only an oldie but a real goodie. It is a pleasant and a delightful change of pace to see a production like Nanette where there is no message, sub-plots or sub, sub-plots that leave the audience confused and frustrated. Nanette is plain and uncluttered entertainment. It is a fantastic evening at the theatre!

Nanette begins with an overture (that goes without saying) during which you get a preview of what is to follow. The brightly colored show curtain and the breathtaking sets that follow are the creation of Raoul Pene du Bois. Everything from twin staircases to beam ceilings with massive chandeliers are put forth in an overwhelming display of craftsmanship.

The performers obviously give their all in this production as evidenced by the fact that on the evening this reviewer saw the show one of the principals, namely, Mr. Jerry Antes collapsed during the curtain calls. (No wonder. He has probably one of the most strenuous roles ever concocted)



Judy Canova... Pauline

Unfortunately, the C.L.O. owes that particular audience the Ukeles curtain call of "I Want To Be Happy."

The cast is incredibly good. Sandra Deel as Lucille Early is outstanding as likewise is Jerry Antes (Billy Early) and the perennial baby-faced Dennis Day as Jimmy Smith. Next has to be my favorite walk-on star Judy Canova — she's a scene stealer par excellence! June Allyson in the Ruby Keeler (Sue Smith role) was disappointing not necessarily from a performance stand point but the

role is almost a walk-on. (Virginia Mayo is now playing the role of Sue Smith). Bill Biskup as Tom Trainor, Nanette's boy friend, is believable and Nanette (Dana Swenson) is like a china doll, petite and VERY talented.

If you like to hum a tune as you leave the theatre NO, NO NANETTE has that too!... "I Want To Be Happy" and "Tea For Two" are naturals thanks to Vincent Youmans, Irving Caesar and Otto Harbach.

To go into any more detail might spoil Nanette for those of you who have yet to see it. Even though the show is considered nostalgia, it is apparent that really good entertainment never goes out of style. If you are looking for a fun evening at the theatre NO, NO NANETTE is a Must!



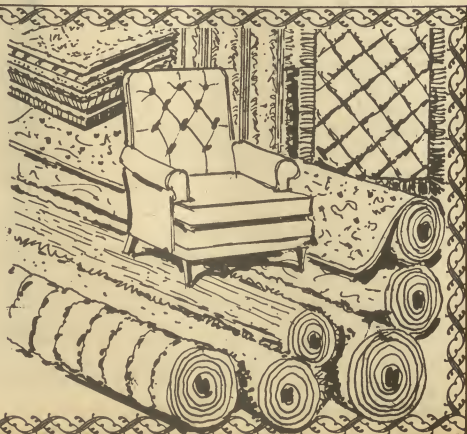
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## Show News



by Donald McLean  
CASS DALEY AT GOLD STREET

When I heard Cass Daley was opening at GOLD STREET, my first reaction was, "I wonder if she can carry an entire evening by herself?" Oh, she was great in the "Big Show of '36", but that was a ten minute spot. To do sixty-five minutes solo can be an eternity in the wrong hands (or lungs). No fear! The lady can sustain quite capably all by her lonesome, assisted by Frank Bell on piano and the truly fine Panama Francis on drums. Her act is broken into three segments, with appropriate costume changes, each

show. She opens with a swinging uptempo version of "Hello Young Lovers" that is a throwaway opening number, then settles into some of the specialty material she did in those Paramount musicals. They're cute and catchy, ditto a medley of boys names (Bill, Wild About Harry, Sheik of Araby, you get the idea). Halfway through, she settles on top of the piano and does a current country-western hit "Help Me Thru the Night", and this is a



CASS DALEY...Even the chandelier was swinging!

whole new ballgame! Suddenly we are confronted with an emotional, sensitive Cass Daley who appreciates the value of a lyric and builds to a dramatic crescendo with stunning effect. It's the

best number she does all evening, and so totally different from her image that my admiration grows by leaps and bounds. Later on, she also does "Everybody's Talkin'" and she really shines when she forsakes those cutesy patter numbers and just stands there and sings. She has that big better type of voice you just don't hear too often these days. "Lament of the Laundry Girl!" is really a funny routine, but "Catherine the Great" should be dropped like a hot coal. It does nothing to show off Miss Daley and slows up the proceedings badly. Don't get rid of the patter material, just add more current material and straight singing to the act and it will have a better balance. I get the feeling the buoyant Miss Daley doesn't feel secure as a singer without clever material backing her, and it's a shame because she really doesn't need gimmicks. Cass Daley offers a solid hour of good entertainment, served up with verve, punch and a personality that had even the chandelier swinging!!

(NOTE: Miss Daley had to cancel her final Wed. night performance due to laryngitis. If you're traveling to Los Angeles, she may currently be seen Fri. and Sat. nights at De Hombres.)

### ON THE PROWL UP ON BROADWAY

Orlando Robinson and the Ink Spots will be opening Oct. 5th thru the 15th at the El Matador on Broadway. These are the original "If I Didn't Care" boys.

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night, with a champagne opening night party. There will be a special performance of the understudies on Oct. 15th matinee, with John Reynolds, playing Vera, getting his big chance at the title role (Faye will come in to mop up after the show that day!). And sometimes it pays to be an understudy. The role of Older Patrick will be played by Wally Rutherford's understudy throughout the run, since Mr. Rutherford left the show rather abruptly after a dispute with the director. And Chuck Waltz has been called in at the last minute to play Lindsey Woolsey when Earl Parsons developed strepped throat. Oh, well, that still leaves 50 of the 52 originals, plus a 16 piece orchestra, and I understand tickets are selling fast, so plan ahead. Michelle, watch out. Here comes Faye!

#### AND...COMING UP...

B & J PRODUCTIONS, another new theatrical company, plan to produce "ANNIE GET YOUR GUN" next year, with Jay Noonan as Annie Oakley. Paul Bentley will produce and Ken Dickmann will direct, and they have

applied for rights to GYPSY and CALL ME MADAM for future productions.

#### DID SOMEONE PLAY EXODUS?

Now that our showbars have been cut by 50%, Allan Lloyd is leaving San Francisco to go on tour on the East Coast for an indefinite run. Jae Stevens and Steve Miller are in L.A. negotiating with the clubs there, and where oh where is all the talent going? Rumor has it Lee Garland may soon be opening in the Circus Room of the NUGGET in Reno, Nevada. And in L.A., a Canadian named Craig Russell is currently setting the city on its ear at TONY'S. He is supposed to be better than Jim Bailey, does a total of 18 different impersonations, and is already snapped up for Las Vegas.

#### FROLIC OPENS

The FROLIC ROOM on Mason Street has re-opened under the management of Sammy Corenson this Thurs., Oct 5th. It will be open seven nights a week with shows featuring Terry Taylor and Busty O'Shea plus three go-go boys. It's nice to have another showbar in the city. And it's right next door to another new bar,

JACKIE D'S, which does not have a show except behind the bar, starring Jim E. Hughes, Mr. Groovy Guy '71, and Randy and Corky. Mason Street seems to be opening up again!

#### 181 GOES HAWAIIAN

The 181 CLUB brought in the revue HAWAII TODAY, featuring Prince Hanalei and his Pearls of the Pacific, for a two-night-only run on Oct. 3rd and 4th. This is the revue that played a couple of months ago at the VILLAGE and has since been on tour.

#### CURRENTLY...

At the ORPHEUM CIRCUS, "We Three" is the new name for Pepper Dale, Roger Learn and John Carlyle performing on Fri. and Sat. nights, and they're really getting it together. They brought the house down at the 181 CLUB when they guested one evening doing "Heaven Hop" and "Money, Money/Trash". Very original, clever ideas.

This weekend, Oct. 5th thru 8th, Mitzi Gaynor brings her show to the Circle Star Theater. If you want to see a superb showwoman who has one of the

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## SNOOP (continued)

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John Rothermel packing them in Sunday nights at GOLD STREET. His good friend, Sylvester, did an impromptu number last week and had the place screaming for more.

## PERSONAL PLUG

Every so often I like to plug someone just because I like them. Last weekend, Carol Lynn was the guest star at the 181 CLUB. Carol is one of my favorite people, because she is one of the few totally honest, fun queens I've ever known, and for that, I will even endure her singing "Love Story" live if need be. She's always fun to watch onstage, and o.k., I'm showing favoritism. At least I warned you!!

## PARTING THOUGHT

From some of the attitudes being copped lately by a few local entertainers, I offer this thought: to offset paranoia and back-stabbing bitchery, live in a fantasy world. Then, even if you never make it, you'll think you did!

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# LOCO WEATHER REPORT

by Cecil Knockherworst Weatherbee



Well Cecil Knockherworst Weatherbee (you little gorgeous rascal you) it's been a hectic month — but, — since the Gay news media has been flooded with more toilet tissue telling everyone what most everyone knows from Jonni, Empress Seven De San Francisco, ball being balled, — and, — Reba, Empress Four De San Francisco, having the cleanest ass in town thanks to Cristal, Empress Six De San Francisco, — and, — Jose', Empress One De San Francisco, arriving in town and the first stop being to see the flicks at the COVERED WAGON, — and, Shirley, Empress Three De San Francisco, consulting lawyers on the disfiguration of his symbol, the peacock, by an Emperor candidate, — and, — Bella, Empress Two De San Francisco, assisting in writing speeches for the Emperor Contest, — and, — Willis, Empress Five De San Francisco, who sends his silent regards to all, — and, we all know how jam packed California Hall was when the hundreds of thousands of Gays packed its rafters to vote and elect our next Messiah a third Emperor De San Francisco, — but, — after my last article, of which I did not realize would cause such turmoil, as if I were out stirring the pot. — Since then I have been spit upon,

mugged, received threatening phone calls, letters of which denounced me, on stage sarcasm, and above all a various publication trying to disembowel me — but, again being a naturalist and a philosopher the only comment that I can make on the past happenings are such.

Dark clouds obscured the orb of day,  
And thundery mist oppressed the air,  
Throughout the whole last two weeks in september,  
And the previous days were not more to remember.

Yet still I take my daily stroll,  
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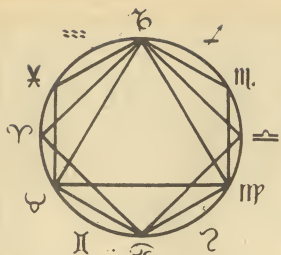
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## ASTROLOGY

by **EL SCORP**

### BALANCING THE WEEKEND

Libra is the traditionally balancing sign of the zodiac. This coming weekend sees six planetary placements in Libra. The chart for this column is usually set up for Saturday mornings of the

weekends in question. Some sort of midpoint has to be set, and most weekends begin on Friday or earlier, if one is to consider the planning stages.

Mainly the Sun and Moon will both be in Libra. That means that this coming weekend will be a New Moon weekend. The word is already out that New Moon weekends can be just as traumatic as Full Moon weekends.

There have been numerous complaints about the last Full Moon weekend. So, we hope that this coming weekend will be more balanced. The overall aspects are mostly favourable, and even some of the doubtful aspects are such that they can be turned to good.

The New Moon occurs in Libra at 1:09 AM PDT Friday the seventh. It will occur at 14 degrees. It will affect more greatly those born around the seventh or eighth of the months of October, January, April, and July. The influence on Librans will be fine. Also for Sagittarians, Aquarians, Geminis, and Leos. Taureans and Pisceans should watch their health.

Other placements in Libra will be at two degrees for Pluto, at three degrees for Mars, at 18 degrees for the planet Uranus, and at 26 degrees for Mercury. Neptune will be at two degrees Sagittarius. Jupiter will be at one degree of Capricorn. Venus will be at one degree Virgo. Saturn will be at 20 degrees Gemini. But last Monday, Saturn went retrograde or will seem to be traveling backwards from now through the middle of next February. For those born without Saturn retrograde, this will be a very busy period and a difficult period, when they will have to work hard, will not seem to get anywhere, but may get sudden advancements they were not expecting in light of their difficulties. If the advancement was undeserved, it will later on be taken away. But if it was a just and due advancement, they will be able to keep it beyond the return passage of Saturn next Spring.

**ARIES:** The focus for you right now is on partnerships or on the other people in your life, but particularly on those close enough to be considered partners. Watch your image, and your career may take care of itself. Do not force your way on Friday, and continue to let the other fellow have the lead through Saturday. Do not push, do not be pushy. Even on Sunday keep cool. Sunday evening may bring a pleasant surprise.

**TAURUS:** The proper attitude toward work and service in your life is going to carry you through this period. Others may be responding better to your expectations of them. But your own performance is going to set the keynote. You are probably going to be

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busy with work considerations through Friday and Saturday. Watch your health through these days. Saturday may bring a break-through in procedures at work. Do not turn down any new ideas toward improvements. Sunday can be a nice, easy-going social day, especially if you do nothing to alienate others.

**GEMINI:** You can fritter this entire good period away by frivolous playing around, or you can devote it to your creative in interests. This is a time to combine work and play by keeping your mind active and a goal in sight at all times. Love life appears very favourable for you this weekend. From Friday evening onward, enjoy what life brings. Saturday goes in a similar manner. Face daydreams and illusions with some reality. There may be an opportunity on Sunday to do someone else some good, to help out.

**CANCER:** This is home improvements time, moving, finding better living conditions or improving those you have, or been buying some property. Begin something new in this area. But do not force career issues. Friday evening is the best part of that day for you, so play it cool during the day. Saturday keep for home interests. Partnership affairs will be looking up, and they will give you strength, even help you see new ways of doing things. Sunday crowns the weekend with fun and perhaps even a romantic bit.

**LEO:** Your environment, business and residential neighbors, and your ability to communicate are at the forefront right now. This will be a time of brief trips combining business with pleasure. Devote Friday to work, be attentive and keep in line, and you will be able to relax Friday evening. On Saturday things are working pretty much your way. Act upon the bolt of lightning idea. Go somewhere on --

Sunday. Keep your ears tuned so that you will receive the unexpected news and be able to act on it in the most positive way. Entertain at home on Sunday evening, rather than going out.

**VIRGO:** You are feeling good, but material, and specifically, money considerations will keep bobbing up. Do not overspend at this time, or make sure that what you spend for will have balancing worth. This is not time to go overboard on generosity. Especially on Friday. And somewhat on Saturday. You are really feeling on top of situations, and this may make you just a little too pushy on Sunday. You can feel sharp as a tack as long as you do not puncture someone else's balloon.

**LIBRA:** This is a very aggressive period for you. Your whole personality is alight, and, for the more highly evolved, positive approaches will bring all the desired results. For others, working negatively, will bring out the very worst in procrastinatory, waste-of-time, slovenliness. Keep serious on Friday, play it in low key. Saturday things clear up beautifully, and you are really ready to go ahead. Sunday you can blossom, lead the way be social, pay some visits, take a short trip. A really nice day for you.

**SCORPIO:** Just because you did not have that big romance during the last Full Moon does not mean you are going to have it now during the New Moon. This is a good time to retire from the scene, to consider what has been going on, and to get things set straight. Take all cautions that behind the scenes or secret relationships do not get the best of you. Live Friday in such a manner that you will not need excuses or alibis to squirm you way out of situations. Saturday all the bright and new ideas or solutions may come to you in a surprising manner. Sunday shows

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improvement, bringing an old friend back into the fold, even some advantageous news. Enjoy Sunday, but don't wait for it to come to you.

**SAGITTARIUS:** This should be a social period for you, one where your every contact will fulfill your hopes and wishes. Do as much as you can, but do not overdo. Plan for the weekend. Let it begin with a party. Saturday. is a creative day. Also a social day. Keep you own council on Sunday; telling all provokes early criticism, undermines

plans, sometimes makes enemies. This is still, however, a social day.

**CAPRICORN:** Career interests are at an all time stage of planning and acting upon. You are moved to do something about these things now because you have been depressed by the way they have been going. You may not be entirely ready on Friday, so let sleeping dogs lie. Be social in the evening. Saturday may bring the something new you are looking for, or at the very least show you the way onward and upward. If not on Saturday, then perhaps Sunday. Friends may then play a part in your discovery. Look sharply at the world around you. See where you are important to others and where they can help you.

**AQUARIUS:** Planning time. Perhaps you can now plan a real bit of traveling to far places. Certainly you are at a point where you want to computer-program the future. Use all the background information at your disposal, and do not speculate. Saturday is a better day for optimism unleashed, your best planning day, because your mind will be more electric. Sunday is a good social day, a good day for discussing your plans, and working out the fine points. It is also a day when you will shine and stand out in the crowd.

**PISCES:** This is a strange time for you, for, while it stresses what you may gain from others, it also urges going along quietly and some staying in the background. You should have the assistance of others, and they will help, but the measure of what you gain will be the result of your own doings. This is a good time to care for your health. Friday gives you much insight to what is going on around you. If, in the evening, you incline toward romance or find some, remember you get more flies with honey than with vinegar. Saturday may bring the discovery of a way out of your precarious finances and into some plan for future stability. Sunday is entirely social, a nice day to meet someone new, to take a trip, to have a really great day.

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# memo from Monty

## HAIL AND FAREWELL.

One might draw the conclusion that I have been pressured into withdrawing as a writer for this mighty pillar of information.

Nothing could be farther from the truth! The truth of the matter is that I am much too busy with pressures of business to continue with the column. The B.A.R. has an excellent staff to do the same little space filling that I do.

I don't want this last missle to sound like a self promoting commerial, but I must explain how it is that I am not doing the column anymore.

First of all, my daughter Melody, presented me with the greatest birthday gift a man could have... my first grand child! Named Amy Louise, the baby bears no family resemblance as she has a full head of hair!

As you may be able to gather, I'm sure to be asked to baby sit and this alone will keep me off the streets and out of the Bars and allow me even less contact with the fun community.

I am enrolling in the "BASHKA" school of perfect diapering with personal attention of the great one herself! The diapers will be "STORM" original creations with rust resistant sequins in the design of little zoo animals. The crib blankets will be embroidered with old show reviews of the aforementioned personalities. The baby will be tutored by "GABRIELLE" assuring one and all the baby will grow up to be the perfect LADY!

What with my baby setting activities and the B.Q. to look after, there is also The Academy Cinema, a lifelong ambition, which opens in downtown Palo Alto on the 19th of this month.

Put these things all together and you have a twenty five hour a day job!

I wish to thank everyone who has ridden the waves with me these past few years. It has been a fun ride! I particularly want to thank the patrons of the B.Q. for affording us the success that we have enjoyed. The eighth of this month marks our first anniversary and if you are in our area, please fall by for the festivities!

My thanks also to Bob Ross editor of B.A.R. for his kind assistance. Bob you are a man of great strength and fortitude for taking on the T.G.S.F. for another term as its President. You are indeed a busy man!

The battles and the Victories will be fondly remembered by this writer. Most of the little mis understandings that have developed during my writing stint have been resolved. Those that have not, I can only say... sorry.

The DEADLY QUEEN SNAKE will always be among us. Watch out for her and always strive to be good to and for each other!

All you Empresses and Emperors... hang in there and work together to get all those loose ends tied.

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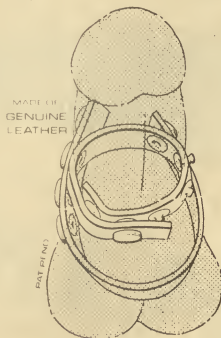
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## INTERCLUB CASUALTY CAPERS by Lori Shannon

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Many months ago, I opened the *COUNTRY CLUB* for a four week engagement, the first full drag show to work South of Market. I was assured by well-meaning friends that the leather / western boys would run us out within two weeks. Well, seven months later, we were still going strong, due mainly to the support of these guys, whom I found to be responsive, un-uptight and very together. So, naturally, when I heard they were combining forces to put on a show, featuring the best from each club, I raced to Seaman's Hall along with several hundred others to see what kind of show the bike clubs would present.

The chorus girls come bounding out

in sequins, feathers, biceps and moustaches. Drag is fine as long as it's done for fun and camp; serious, glamour drag is not their bag. But it is not just a bunch of butch guys putting on funny dresses and parodying drag. There is much genuine talent onstage and they obviously care about doing a good show. They've done their homework! The numbers are rehearsed, staged and costumed and the show is fast, funny and well-paced. Oh, sure, there's a few numbers that just don't work, and sometimes someone may forget to mime his words, but the faults are few and far between compared to the virtues. Any group that can make 30 numbers pass in what seems like an hour's time are obviously doing something right. I haven't enjoyed myself so much at a show in a long, long time.

Of course it's not fair to judge the show by professional standards. Wanna bet!? There are numbers here that could hold their own on any stage with any act in town. To name a few — Jess doing "Tico Tico" in the most unreal Carmen Miranda costume with perfect lip sync, Sue-Michael doing Elaine Stritch's "You



Cam as Carol Channing.

Took Advantage of Me," Cam as Carol Channing (Allan and Bashka, you would have loved it!), Stella and John doing "Money, Money" from "Cabaret" (beautifully staged and executed), and production numbers like the medley from "By Jupiter" by the C.M.C.'S, "Too Many Rings Around Rosie," and especially "You Could Drive A Person Crazy," a trio of bobby-soxers so faultlessly done I kept wondering why I'd never thought of doing it that way (is your director available for outside work?). AND, one number that just defies description. Toro of the *BARBARY COASTERS* baton-twirling to the "Yellow Rose of Texas." I can't begin to describe this act on paper. He has a baton, see, then he drops it and

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immediately comes another one from the wings, then another and another and... It's such a simple gimmick but sooo funny! You'll just have to see it. In fact, if this show is any indication, INTERCLUB shows should be required viewing for anyone, whatever their personal scene, who enjoys fresh, original entertainment. I gotta admit, the South of Market boys really do have it together!

And thanks, fellas, for furnishing one slightly used drag queen with enough new material and ideas to keep me working for at least a year (I've already sent away for a large supply of batons). How soon's the next INTERCLUB show?!

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Rev. Troy Perry welcomed everyone to the three day conference and the keynote address was given by Rev. (Father) John Hose, L.A.; Willie Smith (lovingly called the Flying Nun) lead the "singspiration" with his usual gusto. Rev. Howard Wells, New York (formerly of San Francisco), Freda Smith (Sacramento), Rev. Bill Johnson (first minister to be ordained as a Gay) and Father Jim Getting (Chile) were among 40 ministers attending the general conference.

Highlights of the conference included awards given for the best news letters. First place went to San Diego, second to Sacramento, third to New York, fourth to Los Angeles and fifth to Philadelphia. Ten choirs, including one made up of just young people, made what was called a "Sing-In" that was worth the trip in itself. Pat Rocco directed a skit based on two married Gays 50 years after the founding of M.C.C. A singing group, Metro-Chords, brought the conference to its feet with "Life is a Symphony Since the Man from Galilee". They were fantastic. Jim Sandmire gave the Sunday sermon and asked members to reply, when asked their denomination, "I am a member of M.C.C. in Christ." Sandmire and Austin were included in the ordination of seven ministers and two deacons. One of the great moments for me was when the entire conference stood and sang "The Lord's Prayer" like they had rehearsed for months. The conference brought

forth a new theme, "A church with an open door for people with an open heart and an open mind." Not just Gays.

Sunday brought things to a close with an opening prayer by Rev. Van Hecke (Fresno) and a special music tribute to Rev. Perry by the S.F. Choir with "I'm Not Afraid Anymore." This should be No. 1 on the Church Hit Parade, if there is such a thing. Willie Brown was the closing speaker. At one point in his speech he asked us to pray for the day when the dissension makers and ourselves start saying grace together. Only then can we all live together as free brothers and sisters. Oh, yes, he pushed AB 470 a lot, and needless to say, he received a standing ovation.

I was surprised to see so many young boys and girls at the conference. One lady hitchhiked from the East with her two small children and I'm happy to say, she did not have to go back that way. One young man brought his parents from Denver. They were very well received!! Next year's conference will be held in Denver, Colorado, and should be bigger and better than ever, as Rev. Perry is now in England helping found a new church and will go on a tour of Australia later this year. During the Sunday Service, Troy Perry broke everyone up, when all of a sudden he got up, grabbed an offering basket, passed it among the ministers and the combined choirs, sat down and said, "Now you can sing." See you all next year.

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## Southern Scandals

by Mister Marcus

### SOUTH OF MARKET SHINES BRIGHT & PROUD

South of Market, and indeed the whole City of San Francisco and the Bay Area, shone bright and proud last weekend. With the resounding success of the INTER-CLUB FUND's CASUALTY CAPERS at Seaman's Hall (over 600 paid admissions) and the crowning of the First Emperor (a product of the Miracle Mile), it was no wonder that the word Unity took on a new meaning. Hippies, leather men, cowboys, drag queens, hustlers, Tenderloin personalities, the collegiate set and the 18-21 year olds were everywhere doing their thing. No one person can take credit for the success of any of the events of the past weekend, except to say that the community got it

together and if this is any indication that apathy is dead, long may it rest in peace.

No one person can be singled out for the success of CASUALTY CAPERS, but much credit should be given to the INTER-CLUB FUND who spent many a night rehearsing and planning one of the most fantastic shows ever to be presented. Bike club members from Los Angeles were so enthused (OEDIPUS M/C, SATYRS M/C, BUDDY CLUB and others) they jumped on the stage for the resounding finale and afterward, the cast party at THE CORNER was jammed for the second night in a row, the previous night being the scene of the victory party for the new Emperor. Mr. John of the CMC was the guiding light with EVERY bike club participating and Bob

Wiskotzl, (former WARLOCK) worked with everyone, all in complete harmony, brotherhood, esprit de corps and togetherness! Already talk is being heard to make the Capers an annual event. Judging from the enthusiasm of the crowds, this should be considered if the ICF intends to fulfill its purpose, that being to provide financial assistance to not only bike club members but ANYONE incapacitated due to a bike accident or through sickness.

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### ANNIVERSARIES AGAIN TO MAKE YOU NOSTALGIC

Following close on the heels of the recent month-long anniversary celebration at Fe-Be's in August, the BOOT CAMP had a week-long blast that will not be forgotten too soon. Highlight of the week was the Jockey Shorts Night last Tuesday. The briefs were provided for those who wanted to participate in the contest and there were 23 contestants to titillate us and make things happen. Bill Wallace of JACKSON'S, DAVID LIKENS of the Q.T., HANK OF THE Q.T. and one other judge cast their votes to name David of Berkeley Mr. JOCKEY SHORTS. Malcolm T. of Berkeley was chosen for having the cutest ass and Jerry of Chicago had on the most original shorts. Bill McWilliams wants everyone to know that contrary to any rumors you may have heard, and this should be of particular interest to dog fanciers, the BOOT CAMP does not plan to install a dog kennel in the back patio.

And speaking of anniversaries, BRADLEY'S CORNER was the scene of another bacchanalia last Sunday night when that veteran bar flung open the doors to a fabulous buffet by Peter King for their Sixth Anniversary. Jose' was there and a host of well-wishers and bucolic revelers joined to make it a fun, fun event. Congratulations to the management and staff of BRADLEY'S CORNER, one of the grooviest neighborhood bars in town.

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#### ORCHID BALL SET FOR NOVEMBER 10

Lee Bolin, former star go-go dancer at the HANS OFF tells me his MR. ANTHONY CLUB will sponsor the ORCHID BALL at Bimbo's on November 10 with prizes going to the person making the most original use of an Orchid — so sounds like it's a costume ball.

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#### DISHIN' & DOTTIN'...

Congratulations to Kalani, the newly-crowned Princess of the East Bay crowned last Saturday night at the Leamington Hotel and sponsored by Jim McDonald of the EXIT. The current empress candidates were all in attendance too. Laura was the M.C., That lovable Kissy Diki was doing a torrid tango, Billie (Dog Lady) looked rapturous in red and white and Roxanne was doing a hot number with one member of the royal set or another. Didn't see Marvelous Maxine anywhere, but there were sure a lot of the Hawaiian nobility there... October 7 through 9 is the WARLOCKS WITCHES RUN to Reno this year with inside accommodations and costing only \$12.50... New leather/western bar in Hollywood is the LEATHER HORSE where Santa Monica Blvd. meets Sunset, and starring San Francisco's own Mike Broce... This year the WARLOCKS WITCHES CHRISTMAS will be on October 28 from 11:50 at night to 6:30 a.m. and being held in a surprise place this year... At the first Benefit Auction for SIR the other night at the ORPHEUM CIRCUS, likeable Gene Arceri donated a round trip ticket to the Portland Blast on November 18 worth \$100 and that's what I call a NICE guy... At Empress Jonni's Ball I was astounded to see Fern of JACKSON'S

looking amazingly like Sweet Lips; Luscious Lorelei was in a dazzling purple escorted by the handsome Jeff of the BOQT CAMP and Sweet Lips — looking like a real suave sophisticate with a beautiful tuxedo... Apologies to Rose of the GANGWAY — last column I said he was from the LANDMARK. Speaking of Rose, he must have given one of the local cab companies a start when he took a cab home from what he

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be making visits here frequently... GOLD EAGLE SALOON on the South Side of Market at 12th has a free chicken dinner buffet every Saturday night with Chuck Katznelson giving out the booze, the thighs, breasts and legs... My man in London tells me Matthew of Glendale is doing his thing over there and already met Felix who will be arriving here for his big party at the BOOT CAMP on October 10... Don't look now, but was that Herb Caen in a pair of Jockey Shorts at the BOOT CAMP'S anniversary last week?????

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In closing the column this week, I would only like to say that judging from all the activity around town in the past few weeks and all the excitement it generated, I can truly say I am gratified that it is inspiring to see and heartwarming to know that you're all getting involved and you're all participating and you're all, every one of you, the people I love.

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